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IN RE APPLICATION OF: Shinji TAI, et al.
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FOR: ETHYLENE-VINYL ALCOHOL COPOLYMER COMPOSITION AND MULTILAYERED CONTAINER USING THE
SAME

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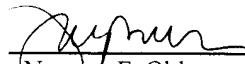
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STATEMENT OF RELEVANCY

References AO (JP 4-211444), AP (JP 5-156095), AQ (JP 5-170980) and AS (JP 11-348196) on Form 1449 are discussed in the specification.

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